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FILING OF CONTINUATION APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)

Sir:

This is a filing of a continuation application
under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) of pending prior application of:

Applicants : H. OHISHI et al.
Serial No. : 09/555,199
Filed : June 27, 2000
For : RESIN COMPOSITION FOR METAL SHEET
COATING, RESIN FILM EMPLOYING IT,
RESIN-COATED METAL SHEET AND RESIN-
COATED METAL CONTAINER

1. [X] Enclosed is a copy, which does not contain new matter, of the specification, claims, abstract and drawings of prior Application No. 09/555,199. Also enclosed is a copy of the Inventors' Declaration containing a copy of the Inventors' signatures which was filed in Application No. 09/555,199.
2. [X] The enclosed copy of prior Application No. 09/555,199 comprises 40 pages of specification, 2 pages of claims, 1 page of abstract, 2 sheets of drawings and 5 pages of the Inventor's Declaration.

3. [X] The names of the inventors of this continuation application are:

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Masahiro KUMAGAI
Nobuo KADOWAKI
Keiko KAWAKAMI

The residences, citizenships, and addresses of the inventors appear in the enclosed copy of the inventors' Declaration.

4. [X] A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. As shown in the enclosed Preliminary Amendment, cancel in this application claims 2-13 in the copy of the application filed herewith prior to calculating the filing fee.
5. [X] Enclosed herewith is a Preliminary Amendment. Please enter the Preliminary Amendment prior to calculating the filing fee.
6. [X] The filing fee is as calculated below:

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AMENDMENT PLUS CLAIMS ADDED BY AMENDMENT

| NUMBER FILED | | NUMBER EXTRA | | RATE | | CALCULATION | |
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| TOTAL CLAIMS | 37 | - | 20 = 17 | x\$ 18 | = | \$ 360.00 | |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS | 4 | - | 3 = 1 | x\$ 86 | = | \$ 86.00 | |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) | | | | +\$290 | = | \$ 290.00 | |
| BASIC FEE | | | | | + | \$ 770.00 | |
| TOTAL | | | | | = | \$1452.00 | |

7. [X] Please charge the filing fee of \$1452.00 to Deposit Account 11-0600. Please charge any deficiency of filing fee to Deposit Account 11-0600. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.
8. [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit

Account No. 11-0600. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

9. [X] As shown in the enclosed Preliminary Amendment, amend the specification at page 1 before the first line of text.
10. [X] New drawings are enclosed.
11. [X] The prior application is assigned to Nippon Steel Corporation, Tokyo, Japan; and is recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office at Reel/Frame 010961/0421-0422.
12. [X] The power of attorney in the prior application is to Edward W. Greason, Reg. No. 18,918. The power appears in the original inventors' declaration.
13. [X] Continue to address all future communications to:

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14. [X] The claim of foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 is made from the following patent applications filed in Japan:

Japanese Patent Appln. No. 9-324581
filed November 26, 1997.

Japanese Patent Appln. No. 10-45704
filed February 26, 1998.

Japanese Patent Appln. No. 10-74556
filed March 23, 1998.

15. [X] Priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120 from prior pending Application No. 09/555,199 filed June 27, 2000 which is a 35 U.S.C. §371 of PCT/JP98/05331 filed November 26, 1998. PCT/JP98/05331 was filed and published in the Japanese language.
16. [X] The entire disclosure of prior Application No. 09/555,199 filed June 27, 2000 which is a 35 U.S.C. §371 of PCT/JP98/05331 filed November 26, 1998, for which a copy of the Inventors' Declaration is supplied, is considered part of

the accompanying continuation application and is hereby incorporated by reference.

17. [X] An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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